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In re Application of :
Yip et al :
Application No. 09/895,145 :
Filed: June 30, 2001 :
Attorney Docket No. 2717P046 :
Title of Invention: Method and System for :
Increasing Participation in Standby Router :
Protocol :

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR §1.181 filed April 5, 2006 to withdraw the holding of abandonment.

The petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment is **Granted**.

This application was held abandoned March 10, 2005 for failure to timely reply to the non-final Office Action mailed on December 14, 2004. The non-final Office Action set a three (3) month extendable time period for reply. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed March 22, 2006.

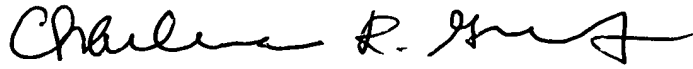
Petitioner maintains that a response to the non-final Office Action and a request for a one month extension of time and check were mailed with a certificate of mailing dated April 14, 2005 and received in the Office on April 18, 2005. As evidence, petitioner has submitted a copy of a return postcard date stamped by the Office acknowledging receipt of the reply. Additionally, petitioner has supplied a copy of the previously mailed correspondence which contains a certificate of mailing pursuant to 37 CFR 1.8.

The response submitted April 14, 2005 has not been located in the Office, however, in view of the evidence submitted, the response is deemed timely.

The Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated and the holding of abandonment is withdrawn.

The application file is being forwarded to the Technology Center 2100 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3215.

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